



No Hawaiian child left behind

Our commitment to provide every qualified native Hawaiian an opportunity for homeownership or land stewardship is one we take very seriously. We have broken ground on some of the largest developments in the history of our trust, with many more to follow.

While homes for our beneficiaries are at the forefront, providing a sense of community is equally important. Part of “community” is assuring that our keiki receive a good and sound education. Unfortunately, many of the schools in and around Hawaiian communities are under corrective action.

The education of our children is a partnership between students, parents, the Department of Education (DOE), and the Community as a whole. We all must play a role in assuring that our keiki are given the best opportunity to compete in today’s world.

Students must be prepared to go to school every day ready to learn. Parents must be held accountable that their child is ready and willing to learn. The DOE must provide an environment for learning to occur, and the Community, when possible, must fill the gaps where the child, the parents, and the DOE fall short.

Over the past few years there has been a lot of discussion about the federal mandate of “No Child Left Behind.” Like many states, Hawai‘i’s public school system has struggled to meet standards set under this new law. Unfortunately, these struggles are most prevalent in schools in and around Hawaiian communities.

While these results are disturbing, it is also an opportunity to benchmark our achievements and to collectively take steps to better educate our students. Under the “No Child Left Behind” law, if your school is under corrective action and your child is a recipient of Title 1 federal funds (children eligible for free or reduced lunch), he or she is also entitled to the following services from the DOE:

- ☐ If the school fails to make what is called Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for two consecutive years, disadvantaged students within the school may use Title I funds to transfer to an adequately performing school.
- ☐ If the school fails to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for three consecutive years, students are entitled to receive



Jonah Kūhiō Kalanianaʻole Piʻikoi during the 1870’s. During his early years, Kūhiō attended St. Alban’s, later known as ‘Iolani School.

Supplemental Educational Services (tutoring) from an approved list of providers. All providers are subject to appropriate standards of accountability.

Schools failing to meet AYP are subject to corrective action. There are 55 schools that are in corrective action. They fall into two categories - those in “restructuring” and those “planning for restructuring.”

The schools at risk are listed on page two.



Commissioner Tommy Contrades observes students in Anahola, Kauaʻi doing research at a computer facility

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Your child’s future

What you can do

The Hawaiian Homes Commission recognizes the importance education plays in our communities, and the impact it has on the future of our children, our culture and our state. If your child is attending a school that is “restructuring” or “planning for restructuring,” you may be eligible to move to a school that is meeting its Annual Yearly Progress or to receive individual tutoring.

The responsibility for your children’s future is in your hands and ensuring a bright future for them requires involvement now.

If you are interested in receiving more information or would like to know if your child may benefit from the “No Child Left Behind” Act, please call 808-586-3230.

Chairman’s Message



Aloha Kākou!

This quarter’s Ka Nūhou focuses on the educational component of our communities. It is critical that we do everything possible to provide a solid education for our keiki. Education is one of the few assets that once you own it, no one can take it away.

Many of us have benefited from opportunities provided by Princess Pauahi through the Kamehameha Schools, but not all of our children will have that opportunity. For many of us, there are additional resources that we can tap into to better educate our children. We attempt to begin dialogue with you in this edition.

Please take the time to inquire how you can be more involved in the education of our keiki and mo‘opuna.

The second quarter ending June 30, 2005 will be a very busy period for the team at the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. During this period alone, we will be awarding more than 400 new leases throughout the State of Hawai‘i. Most exciting is our first Undivided Interest awards on the island of Maui in Waiohuli-Kula.

On behalf of my fellow commissioners and our DHHL staff team, mahalo for your continued support. We are working hard to better serve you.

Mahalo,

Micah A. Kane, Chairman
Hawaiian Homes Commission

2005 Legislative Round-up

Act 16--Designating quarter-Hawaiian brother or sister as successor

On April 20, 2005, Governor Linda Lingle signed Act 16 into law. The new law allows a homestead lessee, who is one-quarter Hawaiian, to designate a brother or sister to succeed to the leasehold interest of the homestead. The law took effect upon its signing. Prior to the signing of this law, brothers and sisters needed to meet the native Hawaiian (50 percent) blood quantum requirement.

Act 53--Mortgage loans on Hawaiian home lands

The Governor signed Act 53 into law on May 16, 2005. The new law permits private lending institutions to make mortgage loans on Hawaiian home lands that are backed by private mortgage insurance.

Resolutions--The Legislature passed three resolutions impacting DHHL.

H.C.R. 56--Supporting passage of the Native Hawaiian Reorganization Act of 2005 (The “Akaka” Bill)

S.C.R. 178--Opposing the transfer of lands in Waiāhole Valley from HCDCH to DHHL.

S.C.R. 207--Requesting the Department of Agriculture to improve the management of the Moloka‘i Irrigation System.

Schools in restructuring and planning for restructuring

Restructuring 29 schools, or more than 10 percent of public schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kalaniana‘ole Elementary and Intermediate• Ka‘ū High and Pahala Elementary• Kea‘au Middle• Kealakehe Elementary• Kealakehe Intermediate• Nā‘ālehu Elementary and Intermate• Pāhoa High and Intermediate	Leeward O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leihōkū Elementary• Nānākuli Elementary• Wai‘anae Elementary
Honolulu District <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central Middle• Dole Middle• Pālolo Elementary		Windward O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parker Elementary• Pope Elementary• Pū‘ōhala Elementary• Waiāhole Elementary
Central O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ka‘ala Elementary• Wahiawā Middle	Maui <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pā‘ia Elementary• Hāna High and Elementary• Kaunakakai Elementary• Moloka‘i High• Moloka‘i Intermediate	Hawai‘i <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kahakai Elementary• Keonepoko Elementary• Kapi‘olani Elementary• Kaūmana Elementary• Keaukaha Elementary• Laupāhoehoe High and Elementary• Pāhoa Elementary
Leeward O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kamaile Elementary• Mā‘ili Elementary• Mākaha Elementary• Nānāikapono Elementary• Nānākuli High and Intermediate• Wai‘anae Intermediate• Waipahu Elementary• Waipahu Intermediate	Kaua‘i <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None	Maui <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kahului Elementary• Kilohana Elementary• Kualapu‘u Elementary• Maunaloa Elementary
Windward O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hau‘ula Elementary• Kahalu‘u Elementary• Waimanalo Elementary and Intermediate	Honolulu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jarrett Middle• Jefferson Elementary• Kalihi-Kai Elementary	Kaua‘i <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kōloa Elementary• Waimea Canyon Elementary and Intermediate
Hawai‘i <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hilo Intermediate	Central O‘ahu <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ‘Aiea Elementary• Hale‘iwa Elementary• Wahiawā Elementary	



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DHHL breaks ground for new homesteads at Kekaha

With federal, state, county officials and community leaders participating, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands broke ground for the start of construction of the Kekaha Residence Lots, Unit 4 project on the west side of the island of Kauaʻi.

The \$5.1 million project is being funded by the Hawaiian Home Lands Trust Fund and Native American Housing and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The new subdivision encompasses a total of 49 lots that will be developed as turnkey, self-help and vacant lots on 20 acres of land. Twenty-two of



Ground was broken for 49 residential lots in Kekaha, Kauaʻi.



Kahu Kaohelauiʻi, Commissioner Contrades and Mayor Baptiste participate in the ceremony.

the lots are reserved for families whose household income does not exceed 80 percent of HUD's median income for the island of Kauaʻi. (Eighty percent of Kauaʻi's median income is \$51,700 for a family of four.)

"This is the first homestead construction project on Kauaʻi since 1997 and the first project in Kekaha since 1988," said Micah Kane, Chairman of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. "There is a high demand for Kekaha from our applicants originating from Niʻihau," he added.

Goodfellow Bros. Inc. has been selected as the site contractor. Site improvements are scheduled to be completed in October 2005. Home construction is also scheduled to start in October 2005 and should be completed by October 2006.

Ulu project in Keaukaha

All Hawaiians are at a genetically high risk for diabetes. Blindness, heart disease, stroke, loss of limbs and premature death are all on the path of this disease that often goes unnoticed for decades. Diabetes II can be prevented.

that alerts the community on habits we can easily add into our daily lives that will increase exercise, cut down on high sugar and fat foods, and if you're already on medication for diabetes, being compliant with the doctor's orders on taking them.

The district of Keaukaha on the island of Hawaiʻi is predominately Native Hawaiian. Bay Clinic Community Health Centers and Hui Mālama Ola Nā ʻŌiwi Native Hawaiian Health Care system located in Keaukaha are collaborating efforts to increase awareness and prevent the spread of diabetes through the Ulu Project.

The Ulu Project provides "fun shops" at the Hilo Bay Clinic community garden site. These educational meetings are based on growing your own food and simple home gardening for better health and nutrition. Edna Baldado, RN, gives a lesson

Periodically, the Ulu Project offers diabetes and blood pressure screening free of charge at the Kawānanakoa Hall. Be prepared to be counseled, one-on-one, of the health benefits of exercise and a healthy diet for the prevention and management of diabetes.

As an incentive to attend these work (fun) shops, a portable garden is available for attendees to be picked up after the informational sessions along with other healthy door prizes.

If you are interested in attending a workshop or can attend an Ulu Project committee meeting, please call them at 934-3236 or 934-3244.



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Commissioner's Highlight

Quentin Kawānanakoa

By Sherry Humphrey

Quentin Kawānanakoa was first appointed to the Hawaiian Homes Commission in 2002. This appointment represented a connection to our beloved Prince Kūhiō, founder of the Hawaiian Home Lands program. After more than 80 years of the existence of this program, here was a link to the "Citizen Prince" who worked tirelessly to ensure the Hawaiian culture and people would flourish.

Most of us know the well-published and historically important facts about this O'ahu commission member. He has a familial connection to Prince Kūhiō. He is considered by many to be one of the heirs presumptive to the throne of Hawai'i under the Hawaiian monarchy. He is also a former legislator, serving in the House of Representatives for the 26th district from 1994 to 1998.

On a more personal level, Quentin is a husband, a father, an educated man, a sportsman and someone who sees the humor in every day life. Commissioner Kawānanakoa carries on the hopes of Prince Kūhiō in his many commitments to the Hawaiian people and the community in general. He has served as a Regent of Hale o nā Ali'i o Hawai'i since 1997. As a Sustaining Member of the James Campbell Foundation, his philanthropy continues to support the children and less fortunate families of Hawai'i. His many accomplishments include being an Advisory Committee member for the U. S. Civil Rights Commission. He is a board member of The

Friends of 'Iolani Palace, former president of the Prince Kūhiō Hawaiian Civic Club, a member of the Development Council for Moanalua Gardens Foundation and former board member for Hawai'i Public Television.

Quentin is a paragliding enthusiast. He competed in the U. S. National Paragliding Championship in 1992. He has traveled abroad to participate in this extreme sport. He also enjoys snow skiing with his family as well as canoe paddling.

In his work with the Hawaiian Homes Commission, his legal training and background bring valuable counsel to the Commission in dealing with the many complex legal issues facing the department.

It is easy to see that Prince Kūhiō and Commissioner Kawānanakoa have much in common. Not only do they share a family history --they also share a love of life, family, sports, public service and a steadfast determination to perpetuate the Hawaiian culture and people.

Mahalo, Quentin, for continuing the legacy of Prince Kūhiō.



Commissioner
Quentin
Kawānanakoa



Commission members and
DHHL staff listen to Lāna'i
community concerns.



DHHL's Home Ownership Assistance Program

HOAP provides beneficiaries with home ownership services. Access HOAP, if you need help with:

- ✓ Qualifying for a Loan
- ✓ Budgeting
- ✓ Establishing a Savings Plan
- ✓ Understanding Credit
- ✓ Credit Repair
- ✓ Debt Reduction

Since October, HOAP:

- ✓ Pre-qualified over 70 families
- ✓ Trained 150+ families in homebuyer basics
- ✓ Responded to over 1,500 inquiries for services

Attend a HOAP Orientation Session to find out more about the HOAP program and the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. HOAP was built to compliment DHHL's exciting development schedule! Don't miss it!

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